

December 2, 2005

Ms. Ellen McCarthy  
Director  
DC Office of Planning  
801 North Capitol Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Ms. McCarthy:

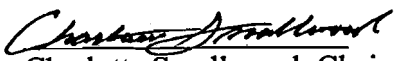
During the October 26<sup>th</sup> NoMa Advisory Committee meeting, several neighborhood representatives expressed concern that a new planning initiative was moving forward even though several important, long-standing neighborhood problems have not been addressed. As a follow-up to the meeting neighborhood representatives and developers got together to discuss planned projects and issues affecting the community. Set forth below is a list of issues that neighborhood representatives and developers agree need priority attention from the various agencies of the District government.

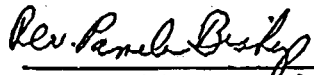
- Safe, well-lit, walkable sidewalks on 1<sup>st</sup> and M Street, and to the Metro Station,
- an appropriate place for Metro buses to drop off people connecting to the Metro to the New York Avenue Station (right now it's a 3 block walk),
- better Metropolitan Police presence in the area,
- better security at the New York Avenue Metro station
- frequent flooding at North Capitol Street and Patterson Street as well as on M Street, NE,
- better coordination of Pepco's power infrastructure development, and
- better traffic management throughout the area, but especially at the New York and Florida Avenue interchange.

These issues are important to the neighborhood and should not be ignored. They should not take a backseat to a new planning initiative. Attention to these issues can have a significant and immediate impact on the livability and character of the NoMa neighborhood. The neighborhood asks that your office devote the resources needed to coordinate with other responsible agencies and resolve the above issues as soon as possible.

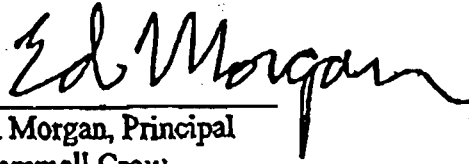
Sincerely yours,

  
Samuel G. Rose, Principal  
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Northwest One Community Council




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St. Phillips Church



Ed Morgan, Principal  
Trammell Crow



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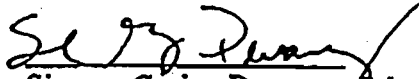
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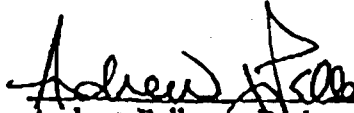
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cc: Patricia Zingsheim